Reply.—This is closely connected with one of the subjects brought up yesterday *viz.*, the registry of tank-bunds and river-banks, now treated as poramboke, in the names of adjacent land-owners. Recently, while I was passing from Aykudi to Shencottah, I observed several cases of encroachments on the public road. Instructions have been issued to the officers concerned to attend to them. In connection with the question of what additional work may be assigned to prover-tikars to whom considerable relief has been now afforded by the abolition of tax-payment in kind, the Chief Engineer has suggested the desir-ability of asking them to see to such encroachments also. Special attention is being paid to this matter and definite orders will issue.

52. Encroachments of European planters on cherikals.

Mr. K. G. Raghava Menon (*Changanachery*) said that encroach-ments on cherikal lands by European planters were matters of daily occurrence and yet very little attention was paid to them by the Revenue and Public Works departments.

Reply.—The encroachments complained of, if they relate to registered holdings, have to be settled between the owner of the lands and the alleged trespassers, and Government cannot of their own accord interfere in such cases. But where the dispute is of a general character or affects well-defined boundaries, it will be duly considered when brought to notice.

53. Modification of the rules regarding the registry of lake and karakadu porambokes.

Mr. A. Harihara Iyer (*Chirayinkil*) represented that under the present rules it was not easy for any person to get any lake or karakadu poramboke registered in his name and prayed that these rules might be so modified as to minimize delay and ensure registry in as many cases as possible.

Reply.—Delay will be taken notice of, when individual represent-ations are made. As for modifying the rules, registries are now made in cases where the porambokes are not required for Govern-ment purposes after due notification in the Gazette, and no alteration of this rule seems called for.

54. That only small margins of land adjoining lakes, canals, &c., should be left as poramboke.

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